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HISTORY AND GENEALOGY
OF THE
DREISBACH FAMILY

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FOREWORD

THIS book was compiled by Miss Laura M. Helman, of Catasauqua, Pennsylvania. She is a member of Liberty Bell Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution; Lehigh County Historical Society, Valley Forge Historical Society, Huguenot Society of Pennsylvania, graduate of the Bloomsburg Normal School, and Historian and Assistant Secretary of the Dreisbach Family Association.

I dedicate this work to my father, Abraham Helman, Jr., who was greatly interested in family history.

Certain interesting data has been obtained by correspondence with various members of the Dreisbach family. The genealogist desires to thank those who assisted in any way whatever. But many letters brought forth no reply.

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SIMON DREISBACH LINE

SIMON DREISBACH, SR., the progenitor of the Dreisbach family in America, was born in Witgenstein, Germany, August 7, 1698, and died March 31, 1785, aged 86 years, 5 months and 24 days. He is buried at Kreidersville.

His wife, Maria Catharine Dreisbach, was born May 17, 1696, and died May 22, 1768, aged 72 years and 5 days. She is buried in Yost Dreisbach's private cemetery, Howerville. Dorothea Dies Dreisbach is also buried there. These broken tombstones form a memorial at Stone Church near Kreidersville.

Simon Dreisbach, with a large family, came to America, departing from Rotterdam and arriving in Philadelphia on the ship "Lydia," September 20, 1743. He was a farmer and located near Kreidersville, Northampton County, Pa. The writer only has record of the following children:

1. Yost Dreisbach, Sr., born November 21, 1721; died October 17, 1794. Married Elizabeth Rachenberger about 1749.

2. Adam Dreisbach, born November 13, 1722; died January 10, 1803. Married Susanna Koerber.

3. Simon Dreisbach, Jr., born February 18, 1730; died December 17, 1806. Married April 7, 1752, Maria Dorothea Dies or Diese, born April 26, 1732; died July 8, 1773.

4. John Dreisbach, born February 1, 1735; died August 27, 1796. Married Elizabeth _____, born July 25, 1742; died December 14, 1821.

5. George Dreisbach.

ADAM DREISBACH, son of Simon, Sr., married Susanna Koerber. Their daughter, Eliza Dreisbach, born in Bath, Pa., August 4, 1763, died in Easton, Pa., August 20, 1842. Married Frederick Berthold, born May 5, 1760; died September 12, 1824. Their daughter, Catharine Berthold, born September 27, 1799; died January 28, 1865. She married Joseph Horn, who was born in Easton, October 8, 1791, and died May 21, 1871. Their daughter, Mary Isabelle Horn, born January 21, 1821; died May 7, 1904. Married John Evans, born November 4, 1815; died May 22, 1904. Dr. E. W. Evans is their son. He married Miss May Yeomans, daughter of Frederick Yeomans. They have one daughter,, Elizabeth Y. Evans. All reside in Easton, Pa.

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In the early days of human existence, our ancestors lived in small, nomadic groups, relying on hunting and gathering for survival. As time passed, these groups began to settle in one place, leading to the development of agriculture and the birth of civilization. The rise of empires and the spread of religion marked significant milestones in human history, as did the invention of writing and the development of complex societies. The Middle Ages saw the rise of feudalism and the Crusades, while the Renaissance brought about a new era of artistic and intellectual achievement. The modern world, shaped by the Industrial Revolution and the rise of nation-states, continues to evolve rapidly, facing new challenges and opportunities.

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HON. SIMON DREISBACH, JR., was born at Oberndorf-Witgenstein, Germany, February 18, 1730; died December 17, 1806. He is buried at Kreidersville, Pa. He married April 7, 1752, Maria Dorothea Dies or Diese. Record found in St. Michael's and Zion's Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, Pa. She was the daughter of Peter Dies and wife Elizabeth, and was born April 26, 1732; died July 8, 1773. She was the mother of all of his children. His second wife was Anna Maria Kuder, a widow, and daughter of Conrad Fuchs.

Children of Hon. Simon Dreisbach, Jr., and wife Dorothea. Dates of birth from Bible records:

1. John Dreisbach, born August 21, 1752; died September 20, 1825.

2. Simon Dreisbach. Died in infancy, 1754.

3. John George Dreisbach, born January 31, 1756; died August 1, 1826. Married Sophia _____.

4. John Peter Dreisbach, born November 3, 1757; died August 16, 1810. Married Susanna Beisel.

5. Jacob Dreisbach, born July 27, 1759; died January 14, 1817. Married Anna Margareta Beaver.

6. Adam Dreisbach, born May 8, 1761; died April 22, 1842. Married _____.

7. Elizabeth Dreisbach, born August 29, 1762; died October 24, 1839. Married Lieut.-Col. Nicholas Hower.

8. Daniel Dreisbach, born May 29, 1764.

9. Sophia Dreisbach, born February 1, 1766. Unmarried.

10. Maria Magdalene Dreisbach, born January 1, 1767. Married Christian Hagenbuch.

11. Mary Catharine Dreisbach, born January 8, 1769. Married George Butz.

12. Susanna Dreisbach, born January 25, 1771. Married George Deshler. Second husband, Peter Lynn.

Hon. Simon Dreisbach, Jr., was a farmer and owned a large tract of land in Lehigh Township. He was prominent in the Reformed Church and was an elder in the congregation. He was very active in the early days of the congregation at Stone Church, and letters written by him are on record showing that he was well educated. On July 8, 1776, he was elected a member of the First Constitutional Convention of Pennsylvania. The delegates to this convention were representative men of the State, men elected for their ability, patriotism and personal popularity. They met at the State House, Philadelphia, July 15, 1776, and

remained in session until September 28th. Dr. Benjamin Franklin was chosen president of this convention.

At an election held November 5, 1776, the members of the First Assembly of the State were elected and Simon Dreisbach was the one elected from Northampton County. He took his seat on January 15, 1777. He was re-elected in 1778, 1779, 1780, and after the close of the war represented the county for several sessions in the Assembly. At that time the pay of a member of the Assembly was \$8 a day.

On August 11, 1778, he was appointed one of a committee of ten to prepare a bill for the more equal assessing and collecting of taxes in the State. On September 16, 1779, he was one of a committee of twelve to bring in a bill for the regulation of trade. On January 27, 1780, he was appointed one of a committee of eleven to consider the dispute between this State and Virginia. On October 14, 1783, he was elected a member of the Council of Censors. He was also a commissioner to collect blankets for the soldiers, being appointed by the Board of War on May 2, 1777. He was also appointed justice of the peace on May 9, 1774.

A State D. A. R. marker was placed at his grave in 1912. Memorial exercises were conducted by Liberty Bell Chapter, D. A. R. The marker was presented by the writer.

The following was copied from the tombstone of Hon. Simon Dreisbach, Jr., at Kreidersville, and translated into English:

"Calmly rests the mortal body of Simon Dreisbach, Jr. He lived and labored for the benefit of his country. Devoted to her during many years of faithful service, and some of his noblest faculties. He advanced Christianity. He brought blessing to this congregation (Reformed) and for a long number of years, with true diligence, and candid zeal, he filled the office of elder. He died courageously and gained the final victory, fervently praying, hopeful and as a Christian. He was born February 18, 1730, in the principality of Witgenstein, at Oberndorf, Germany. He died December 17, 1806. His funeral text was Job 7: 1, 2, 3."

YOST DREISBACH LINE

YOST DREISBACH, SR., was born in Germany, November 21, 1721; died October 17, 1794, and is buried at Stone Church, Kreidersville. He was a son of Simon Dreisbach, Sr., and wife Anna Maria Catharine, and came to this country with his parents in 1743. He was a brother of Simon Dreisbach, Jr.

In 1756, he was appointed a commissioner of the newly formed Northampton County. In 1774, a member of the Committee of Observation. On May 22, 1775, he was made Captain of Lehigh Company of Associators. On October 3, 1775, Colonel of the Associated Battalions. On March 10, 1776, he was appointed Second Lieutenant in Capt. Henry Shade's Company and was captured August 27, 1776. Later he was released and on February 22, 1777, he was in Armand's Legion, originally recruited by Baron Von Ottendorf as a troop of light infantry.

In 1782, he was appointed to the Cavalry, Third Battalion, Northampton County. He was Second Lieutenant of the First Battalion under Capt. Henry Shade, commanded by Lieut.-Col. Daniel Brodhead, Esq.

A roll of Capt. Yost Dreisbach's Company is given in Pennsylvania Archives, Fifth Series, Volume III, pages 897-898.

He was married about 1749 to Elizabeth Rackenberger. Their children follow:

1. Appoliona Dreisbach, born 1750. Married John Frederick Newhard.
2. Catharine Dreisbach, born 1754. Married Henry Bauman.
3. Elizabeth Dreisbach, born 1755; died February 20, 1764.
4. John Yost Dreisbach, born October 20, 1757. Married Catharine _____.
5. Simon Dreisbach, born July 10, 1760; died 1764.
6. John Adam Dreisbach, born October 25, 1762; died 1849.
7. Gertrude Dreisbach, born 1765; died young.
8. Susanna Dreisbach, born 1767. Married Jacob Schaeffer.
9. John Dreisbach, born June 29, 1769; died 1835.
10. Philip Dreisbach, born February 3, 1773.

11. Michael Dreisbach, born April 1, 1779. Married Susanna Schaeffer, September 4, 1796.

12. Magdalene Dreisbach.

Yost Dreisbach, Sr.'s will was probated at Easton, on October 20, 1794, and names nine of these children. The others died young. A State D. A. R. marker was placed on his grave in 1915 by Liberty Bell Chapter through the efforts of your present Historian, Laura M. Helman.

A number of those who attend our reunions belong to this line. Colonel Lilly, of Mauch Chunk, was a descendant of Yost Dreisbach, Sr. He died June 16, 1920, at the age of 81 years. Before his death he gave an old Dreisbach Bible to George W. Dreisbach, 3d, of Milton, Pa. Through him we have the following important data copied from this Bible:

JOHN DREISBACH, born 1769, died 1835, was a son of Yost Dreisbach, Sr. He married Elizabeth Ginter. Their children follow:

1. John Dreisbach, born November 14, 1809; died July 14, 1850.

2. Mary Dreisbach, born February 28, 1812. Married Samuel Lilly.

3. George Washington Dreisbach, born September 16, 1814. Grandfather of George W., 3d (above).

4. Daniel Dreisbach, born October 12, 1817.

5. Isaac Dreisbach, born May 7, 1821.

6. Magdalena Dreisbach, born August 23, 1823. Died young.

7. Abraham Dreisbach, born January 10, 1827.

8. James Dreisbach. Birth not recorded.

George Washington Dreisbach was born in Hemlock Township, Columbia County. Married Kitty Jane Armstrong.

Isaac and Abraham Dreisbach located at Williamsport.

Daniel Dreisbach located at Wilkes-Barre.

MICHAEL DREISBACH, son of Yost Dreisbach, Sr., was born April 1, 1779; died October 15, 1868. Married Susanna Schaeffer on September 4, 1796. Their children follow:

1. Elizabeth Dreisbach, born October 9, 1797; died December 26, 1878. Married Daniel Weiss.

2. Jonas Dreisbach, born November 12, 1809.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
JANUARY 1, 1900

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
AND THE FACULTY
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours truly,
J. H. COOPER

PROFESSOR OF PHYSICS
UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Enclosed for the President of the University of Chicago is a copy of a letter from the President of the American Physical Society, dated December 29th, 1900, in which the Society expresses its interest in the proposed course of study in physics at the University of Chicago.

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3. Solomon Dreisbach, born May 27, 1820; died August 4, 1880. Married Mary Mummey.

4. Magdalene Dreisbach. Married Jonas Deibert. Their daughter, Mary Ann, married William Schaeffer.

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John Dreisbach, born February 1, 1735; died August 27, 1796, was a son of Simon Dreisbach, Sr., and brother of Simon, Jr. His wife, Elizabeth _____, was born July 25, 1742; died December 14, 1821. Both are buried at Kreidersville. Their son, John Yost, was born April 11, 1764, and baptized June 10, 1764. Sponsors, John Yost Dreisbach and wife Elizabeth. John Yost married Margaret Solt and they are buried at Weissport.

HENRY BOWMAN LINE

HENRY BOWMAN, who was born September 29, 1751, and died November 7, 1824, married Catharine Dreisbach, daughter of Col. Yost Dreisbach. She was born March 5, 1754, and died August 28, 1825. Their children follow:

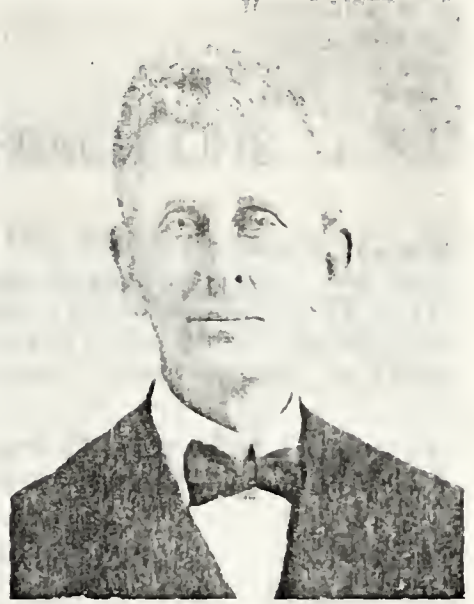
1. John Dieter Bowman. Married May 17, 1796, Margaret Newhard. Children: Kate, Jacob, John, Susanna, Jonas, David, Sarah, Peter, Henry, Rebecca, Dennis, Josiah.

2. Jacob Bowman, born March 28, 1799. Married June 9, 1829, Elizabeth Weiss. She was a granddaughter of Col. Jacob Weiss. They had ten children, three of whom died in infancy. The others were Amelia Bowman, Eliza, Sarah, Bishop Thomas, James, Ellen and Wesley.

BISHOP THOMAS BOWMAN, born May 28, 1836; died in 1923. Married April 26, 1856, Diana Young, daughter of Joseph and Rebecca Young. They had one daughter, Tillie Louise.



DR. A. O. KISNER
Elected President, 1923



FRANK S. DREISBACH
Secretary, 1909-1923



MARTIN L. DREISBACH
Vice-President, 1923



PETER DREISBACH LINE

PETER DREISBACH, son of Hon. Simon Dreisbach, Jr., was born November 3, 1757; died August 16, 1810. Married, in 1778, Susanna Beisel, born 1758; died March 29, 1812. Both buried at Hecktown. He served in the War of the Revolution, Third Battalion, Northampton County Militia, in 1780-1782. Their children are:

1. Daniel Dreisbach, born April 27, 1782; died January 24, 1853. Married Catharine Gradwohl, born June 7, 1782; died April 4, 1877.
2. Simon Dreisbach, born January 21, 1785.
3. Catharine Dreisbach, born July 17, 1786. Married Anthony Lerch.
4. Frederick Dreisbach, born 1792.

The children of Daniel Dreisbach (above) and Catharine Gradwohl, his wife, are:

1. Elizabeth Dreisbach, born November 21, 1813; died October 21, 1882. Married Nicholas Hower, Jr.
2. George W. Dreisbach.
3. Daniel H. Dreisbach.
4. Susanna Dreisbach. Married Charles Lynn.
5. Catharine Dreisbach. Married Daniel Balliett.
6. Mary Dreisbach. Married David Stahlnecker.
7. Juliana Dreisbach, born 1829. Unmarried.
8. Maria Ann Dreisbach. Married Samuel Snyder.
9. Hiram Dreisbach. Married ————. Daniel Dreisbach, of Turbotsville, is a son of the latter.

Children of Daniel Balliett and wife, Catharine Dreisbach (above) are:

1. Catharine Balliett.
2. Caroline E. Balliett. Married Philip Kisner.
3. Kate Balliett. Married ———— Kerstetter.
4. George Balliett.

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Caroline E. Balliett and Philip Kisner are the parents of Dr. A. O. Kisner, of West Bethlehem, who is married to Martha Landis, daughter of Peter Moyer Landis and wife, Susan W. Yeager. Their children are: Paul L. Kisner and Allan Oscar Kisner, 2d. Dr. A. O. Kisner is president of the Dreisbach Association (1923).

Simon Dreisbach, son of Peter Dreisbach and wife, Susanna Beisel, was born January 21, 1785; died September 13, 1842, and married, October 2, 1808, Elizabeth Lerch, daughter of Peter Lerch and wife Margaretha. She (Elizabeth) was born September 10, 1787, and died December 7, 1858. Both are buried at Hecktown. Their daughter, Hannah Dreisbach, was born January 18, 1810, and died August 16, 1852. She married Augustus L. von Steuben, born June 16, 1804; died January 18, 1887. Their daughter, Eliza Cecilia von Steuben, was born July 12, 1828, and died September 19, 1865. She married Joseph Marsh. Their daughter, Hannah Matilda Marsh, born June 2, 1854, married October 4, 1870, Levi Uhler, born July 12, 1849.

Mary Alice Uhler, daughter of Levi Uhler and wife Hannah Matilda, married, December 11, 1895, Harvey Jacob Reiff, who died August 5, 1904. No children.

Mrs. Mary A. Reiff (above) is a member of Liberty Bell Chapter, D. A. R., and has a long line of ancestral bars.

Stewart Eugene Uhler, son of Levi Uhler and wife Hannah Matilda, married Annie Pauley. Their children are:

1. Hilda Uhler. Married Archibald Reinhard. Children: Eugene and Anna. Two other children died in infancy.
2. Paul Henry Levi Uhler, in World War in France. Married, September 18, 1923, Reene Green.
3. Anna Grace Uhler.
4. Luther Uhler.

Charles Howard Uhler, son of Levi Uhler and wife Hannah Matilda, married Margaret Brown Minnich. Children: Matilda Ruth and twins which died in infancy.

Edgar Llewellyn Uhler, son of Levi Uhler and wife Hannah Matilda, married Minnie Juliana Ott. Their son, Kenneth W. Uhler, married Hattie Koch Kuhns. Children, Jeanne Elemina, Kenneth W., Jr., and Fale E. Uhler.

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JACOB DREISBACH, Sr., LINE

JACOB DREISBACH, SR., son of Simon, Jr., was born July 27, 1759, and died January 14, 1817. He was married in 1783 to Anna Margaretta Beaver. He was an Ensign in the American Revolution, serving under Lieut.-Col. Nicholas Kern. His widow, Anna Margaretta Dreisbach, received a pension from the Government. Their children are:

1. Simon Dreisbach, born 1784. Died in infancy.
2. Magdalene Dreisbach, born August 8, 1786; died June 27, 1867. Married Jacob Boyer.
3. Elizabeth Dreisbach, born July 30, 1788. Married
——— Siegfried.
4. Susanna Dreisbach, born September 15, 1790. Married Rev. J. C. Becker.
5. Catharine Dreisbach, born September 23, 1792; died January 19, 1865. Married Abraham Helman.
6. Jacob Dreisbach, Jr., born August 6, 1794; died April 30, 1825. Married Magdalene Bliem.
7. Solomon Dreisbach, born July 19, 1796. Died in infancy.
8. Joseph Dreisbach, born November 13, 1799. Died in infancy.
9. Sarah Dreisbach, born February 18, 1801. Married Dr. John Rothrock.

A State D. A. R. marker has been placed at the grave of Jacob Dreisbach, Sr., by descendants.

Michael Beaver, Sr., arrived in Philadelphia on the ship "Phoenix," September 15, 1749. He had a son, Michael Beaver, born February 11, 1740; died October 25, 1832. His first wife was Anna Maria Barbara Fenstermaker, born May 16, 1740; died May 10, 1801. Both are buried at Shoenersville. She was the mother of all his children (my great-great-grandparents).

In Pastor Schumaker's records, Philadelphia Historical Society, we find Anna Margaretta Beaver, daughter of Michael and Maria Barbara, born March 27, 1763. She married Jacob Dreisbach, Sr. (my great-grandparents).

Other children mentioned are: Peter Beaver, born September 7, 1764; Christian Beaver, baptized December 2, 1766, and

Valentine Beaver, born 1777, died 1856. Michael Beaver's second wife was Magdalena Deshler, a widow, whose maiden name was Mickley. Jacob Dreisbach, Sr., born 1759, died 1817, married Anna Margaretta Beaver. Both are buried at Stone Church.

Michael Beaver and wife are buried at Schoenersville, Pa.

The Beavers were Huguenots from France and a number of descendants are members of the Huguenot Society of Pennsylvania.

Mary Magdalene Dreisbach, daughter of Jacob Dreisbach, Sr., and wife Anna Margaretta Beaver, married Jacob Boyer, who was born January 16, 1783, and died in September, 1852. Their daughter, Sara Ann Boyer, who was born November 26, 1819, and died December 24, 1893, married, in 1838, Samuel Weaver, who was born December 15, 1808, and died March 11, 1863. Their son, Clinton Theodore Weaver, who was born March 23, 1847, and died May 13, 1909, is buried at Weaversville, Pa. On September 1, 1866, he married Ellen Jane Miller, born November 27, 1850. Their children are:

1. Elmer Clinton Weaver, who was born February 20, 1868, and married, first, Annie Olivia DeRoner. They had two daughters and one son. His second wife was Sophia Margaret Desh.

2. Bertha Annie Weaver, who was born August 22, 1869, and married Charles Reed Miller, now deceased.

3. Sara Miller Weaver, who was born October 7, 1871, and married Walter Wythe Young. They had one son.

4. Minnie Catharine Weaver, born September 3, 1874.

5. Hattie Amelia Weaver, who was born April 15, 1877, and married on September 22, 1903, Francis Hathaway Doane, born at Cambridge, Mass., September 9, 1870. They live at Scranton, Pa. She is a D. A. R. member.

6. Charles Henry Weaver, who was born June 15, 1880, and married Hazel Jacoby. They had three sons and one daughter.

7. Ruth May Weaver, who was born October 18, 1882, and married John Franklin Phillips. They had two daughters and one son.

8. Rollin Walter Weaver, born May 18, 1886.

9. Marian Elizabeth Weaver, born January 1, 1893.

Elizabeth Dreisbach, daughter of Jacob Dreisbach, Sr., and wife Anna Margaretta, married ————— Siegfried. They

had two daughters: Lavina Siegfried, who married Samuel Lindaman, and Maria Siegfried, who married John Hoffman and lived at Bath.

Susanna Dreisbach, daughter of Jacob Dreisbach, Sr., was married to Rev. Jacob C. Becker, D. D. Their children are: Christian Becker, Isabella Becker, William Becker, Emma Becker (married ————— Labach), Rev. Charles Becker, Mary Becker, Rev. Cyrus J. Becker, Theodore Becker and Thomas Becker.

Rev. Cyrus J. Becker married Mary Juliana Weaver. Their son, Rev. Jacob Becker, married Adele Felker, and they had one daughter, Mary Elizabeth. Another son, Dr. Allie Becker, married Ella Schreiber. No children.

VON STEUBEN AND OTHER LINES

SIMON DREISBACH VON STEUBEN, son of Hannah Dreisbach and husband, Augustus L. von Steuben, was born October 9, 1833, and died September 9, 1909. He married, September 24, 1855, Eliza Ann Kohler, born April 1, 1837. Their children are:

1. Milton von Steuben, deceased.
2. Irwin F. von Steuben, unmarried.
3. Arthur McClellan von Steuben. Married Laura Frankenhild. Children: Miriam and Dorothy.
4. Laura C. von Steuben, unmarried.
5. Lydia A. von Steuben. Married Joseph Nicholas.
6. David A. von Steuben. Married, first time, Elizabeth Lawall. One child, Kenneth von Steuben. Married second time, Katie George. One child, Wilbur von Steuben.
7. Mina L. von Steuben, unmarried.
8. Ellen C. von Steuben, married Elmer Riegel. Children: Lester, Anna and Charlotte.

Miss Mina L. von Steuben is a member of Liberty Bell Chapter, D. A. R., with a long line of ancestral bars.

Rosanna L. von Steuben, daughter of Hannah Dreisbach and Augustus L. von Steuben, married Theodore F. Levers. One daughter, May Adele Levers, D. A. R. member, Washington, D. C.

Antoinette von Steuben, sister of Simon von Steuben, was born February 1, 1842, and died April 17, 1923. She married Frank Wind. No children.

NOTES

Adam Dreisbach, son of Hon. Simon Dreisbach, Jr., and wife Dorothea Dies, was born _____ and died _____. His daughter, Catharine Dreisbach, married George Fenstermaker. Their daughter, Rebecca Fenstermaker, married Levi Evans, who was a Civil War veteran, having enlisted twice. For many years they resided near Hecktown. She was born November 11, 1829, and died September 26, 1923. There was one son, Oscar Evans, of Sharon, Ohio, and several grandchildren.

2322 N. W. 10th Ave. Miami, Fla.

Dear Sir: I have your letter of the 12th inst. regarding the matter of the J. A. M. A. and the American Medical Association. I am sorry that I cannot give you a more definite answer at this time, but I am sure that you will understand my position.

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Savannah M. von Steuben, who was born May 24, 1846, and died October 6, 1887, was a sister of Simon Dreisbach von Steuben. She married, first, James ————. Their children: Elizabeth, Frank and Thomas. Elizabeth married Lewis Huthmacher. Their children: Mildred, Carolyn and Robert. Savannah M. von Steuben married, second, Nathan Miller. They had one son, Clyde Miller.

Baron von Steuben served seven years in the American Army from 1777 to 1784. He resigned his commission in the army on the 24th day of March, 1784. He retired from the army at the age of fifty-four, having spent his entire fortune in the cause. Congress gave him a gold-hilted sword for his services and in 1790 voted him an annuity of \$2,500 and a township of land in Oneida County, New York. He was never married. Dr. Peter Martin von Steuben, a nephew of the Baron, was the progenitor of the family in America. He came to America with his distinguished uncle in 1777. August Ludwig von Steuben is his son.

CHRISTIAN HELMAN LINE

CHRISTIAN HELMAN was a Revolutionary patriot. He enlisted September 6, 1780, as a private in the Eighth Company of the Third Battalion of Northampton County, Pa., commanded by Lieut.-Col. Nicholas Kern, Esq. On May 1, 1781, he re-enlisted in the same company. He was born in Germany and came to America on the ship "Halifax," sailing from Rotterdam. Thomas Coaturn was captain of the ship. A State D. A. R. marker was placed on his grave by the writer with memorial exercises by Liberty Bell Chapter, D. A. R.

Christian Helman was born in 1735 and died in 1815. He married, in 1770, Rosina Hubler, who was born in 1749 and died in 1828. Both are buried at Kreidersville. Rosina Hubler was the daughter of Jacob Hubler and wife. He was also a Revolutionary patriot and owned a large tract of land in Northampton County.

Children of Christian Helman and wife Rosina are:

1. Catharine Helman, born 1771; died 1856. Married Daniel Rohn.
2. Magdalena Helman, born 1773; died _____. Married Caspar Rohn.
3. John Helman, unmarried.
4. Anna Maria Helman, born 1779; died 1806.
5. Jacob Helman, born 1783; died 1806.
6. Rachel Helman, born 1786. Married Nicholas Miltenberger.
7. Abraham Helman, born 1788; died 1837. Married Catharine Dreisbach, daughter of Jacob Dreisbach, Sr.
8. Elizabeth Helman, born 1782; died 1855. Married Michael Kressler, who was born in 1778 and died in 1857. Both are buried at Indianland. Their son, Samuel Kressler, is buried at Unionville. He married Eliza Peter. Their son, Thomas A. Kressler, married Amelia Hoffman. Joseph L. Kressler, a son of Thomas and Amelia Kressler, lives at Guth's Station.

Catharine Helman, daughter of Christian Helman and wife Rosina, married Daniel Rohn. They had a son, William Daniel



WILLIAM FENICLE



SARAH HELMAN FENICLE
(1817-1886)



ALEXANDER MILLER



CATHARINE HELMAN MILLER



Rohn, who is the father of Asa Daniel Rohn, who married Miss Bartholomew. The children of Asa Daniel Rohn and wife are:

1. Herbert Rohn, who married Miss Irene Case.
2. Bruce Rohn, who married Ruth Aubrey.
3. Anna Rohn, who married ~~Charles~~ Truell.
4. Elizabeth Rohn, who married ~~James~~ Fritch, of Bethlehem, now deceased.
5. Sadie Rohn, who married John-Smith. *Edna*
6. Grover Rohn, who married Miss Cooper.
7. Mabel Rohn, deceased.
8. ~~Edward~~ Edward Rohn, unmarried. *Lives in Philadelphia*

Mr. and Mrs. Truell have a son, Rohn Truell.

Herbert Rohn has a son, Roger Rohn.

Bruce Rohn has a son, Bruce, Jr., and a daughter, Jeanette.

Rachel Helman, daughter of Christian Helman and wife Rosina, married John Nicholas Miltenberger. Their daughter, Mary Madgalene Miltenberger, married Abraham Wolfe, a first cousin of Governor Wolfe. The children of Abraham Wolfe and wife Mary Magdalene are:

1. Henrietta Wolfe, who married August Richter. Their children are: Robert, Edward, George and Lilian.

Lilian Richter married Robert L. Schiffert, a lawyer, of Allentown. She was a member of Liberty Bell Chapter, D. A. R. They had one daughter. Mrs. Schiffert died in 1920.

Robert Richter married Miss George, of Latrobe, Pa. They have one daughter, Elmira, a graduate of the Shippensburg State Normal and a teacher in the Catasauqua schools.

2. Sarah Wolfe, daughter of Abraham Wolfe and wife Mary Magdalene, married ~~James~~ Houser, of Allentown.

3. August Wolfe, who lives at Chambersburg.

4. Margaret Wolfe, who married a Mr. Eichenberg, of Easton.

ABRAHAM HELMAN, Sr., son of Christian Helman and wife, Rosina Hubler, was born Jan. 6, 1788, and died April 12, 1837. Married Catharine Dreisbach, daughter of Ensign Jacob Dreisbach, Sr. She was born September 23, 1792; died January 19, 1865. She married, second, Daniel Newhard. To the latter union no children were born. Both are buried at Hower-

town cemetery. The children of Abraham Helman, Sr., and wife, Catharine Dreisbach Helman, are:

1. Reuben Helman, born 1815; died 1871. Married Mary Schull. They had one son, Cyrus Helman, now deceased.
2. Edward Helman, born 1816; died 1900.
3. Sarah Helman, born 1817; died 1886. Married William Fenicle.
4. Robert Helman, born May 12, 1823; died August 6, 1847.
5. Abraham Helman, Jr., born February 12, 1825; died June 28, 1907. Married Mary Magdalene Drum.
6. Katharine Helman, born 1828; died 1915. Married Alexander Miller.
7. William F. Helman, born 1831; died 1900. Married Julia Briggs.

Edward Helman married Emmeline Schall. Their children are:

1. Amanda Helman, who married Rev. M. L. Fritch. They had the following children: Martin, Emily and Charles. They live in Reading.
2. Sallie Helman, who married W. L. Gillette, Esq. Their children are: (1) Bessie Gillette, who married Rev. McDermott, to whom were born the following children: Elizabeth, Richard, Catharine, Robert and David. Mrs. McDermott is a D. A. R. member. (2) Hallie Gillette, who married Arthur Loftin, their children being Arthur, Jr., and Julia. Hallie married the second time, Dr. Harry Baker, of Catasauqua. (3) Annie Gillette, at home. (4) Christine Gillette, who married Robert Leh; one child, Robert, Jr. (5) Harry Gillette, who married Kathleen Biery; two children, Jean and W. Lamonte Gillette.
3. Ella Helman, who married Prof. Frank Matz. They had the following children: Urania, Grace, Franklin, Christine. Her second husband is Henry Heasley, and they live on a ranch in South Dakota.
4. Henry Helman, who married Evelyn Knauss. Their children are: Ella, Edward, Henry, Daisy, Arthur, Bertha and Claude. Ella Helman, daughter of Henry Helman and wife, married William Myers. Their children are: Henry, Evelyn and Martin.
5. Frank Helman, who died young.

Sarah Helman, daughter of Abraham Helman, Sr., and wife, Catharine Dreisbach Helman, married William Fenicle. They



ABRAHAM HELMAN, JR.



MARY DRUM HELMAN
(Wife of Abraham Helman, Jr.)



GEORGE BUTZ AND WIFE ELIZA



had two children, Mary Fenicle and Francis Fenicle. Mary Fenicle married John Schreiber and they had the following children: Edwin, Alvin, Frank, Harry, Sallie and Jacob Schreiber. Sallie Schreiber married O. K. Mohr, a printer, and lives in Allentown. They have no children. Edwin Schreiber (deceased) lived at Bangor. He was married and had the following children: Maggie, who married a Mr. Knerr; Howard Elvin, who lives at Northampton; Effie Schreiber, a teacher in Allentown.

Harry Schreiber, a son of John Schreiber and wife Mary Fenicle, lives at Zionsville. Francis Fenicle married Belinda Kleppinger. They had two children. Their daughter Sarah married Frank Moser, and they had the following children: Emily, Hattie and Elvin Moser. Emily Moser married a Mr. Peters. Hattie Moser is married and lives in Minnesota. Elvin Moser is married and lives in Allentown.

Elvin Fenicle, son of Francis Fenicle, married Carrie Woodring. They have two children: Helen and Elvin, Jr.

Abraham Helman, Jr., on October 2, 1849, married Mary M. Drum, daughter of Philip Drum, who resided near Hazleton. Abraham Helman was a contractor and builder and for a time lived in Missouri, where he owned a flour mill. Their children are: Alice C., who died in 1922, aged 71 years; Laura M., Jennie S., Walter, George W., Franklin D., Susie B., Hiram F. and Lillian M. George W. Helman is an official in the Southern Pacific shops at San Antonio, Texas. He married Margaret O'Connel, of San Antonio. Their children are: L. Estella Helman, who married Kirby C. Martin, of San Antonio, Texas. They have one child, Kirby C. Martin, Jr. Bennette Adele Helman married Rudi C. Harcourt, who was in the World War. They have one child, George Kenneth Harcourt, born January 21, 1924.

Susie B. Helman, daughter of Abraham Helman and wife, married William H. Kildare, of Catasauqua. They have two daughters: Mary E. Kildare married Russell Neff, who has been overseas in the World War. They have one child, Elizabeth or "Betty." Ruth H. Kildare married Lewis M. Prutzman, an instructor in the sciences, West Chester. He was also in the World War. They have two children: Donald and Jean.

Hiram Fuller Helman married, first, Edna Wilmot. They had one child, Mary, who died in infancy. His second wife was Emily Bodenschatz, of Chicago. They had two children: Russell Helman and Marion Helman. Hiram F. Helman was engaged in the printing business and was with the firm of Sleepeck & Helman. He died in 1921, aged 53 years, and is buried in Rosemont Cemetery, Chicago, Ill.

Mary Drum Helman, wife of Abraham Helman, Jr., was born September 10, 1829, and died in Atchison County, Missouri, March 29, 1871, aged 41 years, 6 months and 19 days, and lies buried there. His sons, Walter and Franklin D. Helman, are also buried in Missouri.

The Misses Laura, Jennie and Lilian Helman, daughters of Abraham Helman and wife, are members of Liberty Bell Chapter, D. A. R., by descent from Hon. Simon Dreisbach, Jr., Christian Helman, Jacob Dreisbach, Sr., Jacob Hubler, Michael Beaver and Philip Woodring. They are also members of the Huguenot Society of Pennsylvania by descent from Michael Beaver, a Huguenot. They are members of the First Presbyterian Church, Catasauqua, and all are graduates of the Bloomsburg Normal School.

Catharine Helman, daughter of Abraham Helman, Sr., and wife Catharine Dreisbach Helman, married Alexander Miller. Their children are:

1. Howard Miller, who married Kate Carswell; no children.
2. Emily Miller, who married William Cawthorne, of Virginia. Their children are: (1) Yula Cawthorne, who married a Mr. Leshner. (2) Bessie Cawthorne, who married J. Christian. They had one son. (3) William Cawthorne, Jr., who died unmarried. (4) Marie Cawthorne, who is married and lives in Philadelphia.

3. Alexander Miller.

4. Elmer Miller.

William Helman, son of Abraham Helman, Sr., married Julia Briggs. Their children are:

Ellen, who married N. J. Olsen, farmer, of North Dakota. Their children are:

1. Frederick Otto Olsen, who married Stella Jaberg, September 29, 1903; their children: Robert Elwell Olsen, born January 24, 1909; Clare Elizabeth Olsen, born February 8, 1912.

2. Nelse Robert Olsen, who married Viola Leber, December 6, 1911. One child: Margaret Jane Olsen, born May 20, 1913.

3. Clare Olsen, who married Rufus Bixby Lee, September 6, 1911. Children: George Robert Lee, born October 20, 1912; John Wiegand Lee, born July 14, 1914.

4. Richard Olsen, who married ————. No children.

Another daughter of William Helman and wife is Sarah Helman, who married Frank Elliott. They had one daughter, Grace, who married John Ahrens; two children, Eleanor and Nanne.

William Helman, Jr., son of William Helman and wife, married Mary Benton. Their children: Edith, Ruth, Marion and Julia. They all live in Minnesota and North Dakota.

HENRY DREISBACH LINE

HENRY DREISBACH was born November 17, 1800, and died March 10, 1890. He married Elizabeth Solt, who was born February 12, 1802, and died August 9, 1881. Their children are:

1. Henry Dreisbach, unmarried.
2. Julia Dreisbach, who married George Weitknecht. They had two children.
3. Catharine Dreisbach, who married Henry Cole. One son.
4. Edward Dreisbach, who married Matilda Saeger. One child.
5. Daniel Dreisbach, who married Christiana Kratzer.
6. George Dreisbach, who married Christiana Beil.
7. Tilghman Dreisbach.
8. Rebecca Dreisbach, unmarried.
9. John Dreisbach, unmarried.
10. William Dreisbach, unmarried.
11. Samuel Dreisbach, who married Susanna Nolf. Four children.
12. Owen Dreisbach, who married Sabilla Rodgers. They had three children: John, Sarah and Louise.

Daniel Dreisbach, son of Henry Dreisbach and wife Elizabeth, married Christiana Kratzer. Their children are:

1. Sarah Dreisbach, who married Jonathan Moyer. Eight children.
2. Elmira Dreisbach, who married Jacob Steinmetz. Two children.
3. George Dreisbach, who married Amanda Weill. Two children.
4. Amanda Dreisbach, who married Amos Bachman. No children.
5. Martha Dreisbach, who married Henry Breidinger. Three children.

6. Ammon Dreisbach, who married, first, Flora A. Dorward. They had twelve children. His second wife is Mary Alice Sensinger. No children.

Daniel Dreisbach (above) was a volunteer in Company F. Forty-first Regiment, Illinois Infantry, during the Civil War. He died in a hospital at Memphis, Tenn.

Ammon Dreisbach, son of Daniel Dreisbach and wife, was born December 12, 1850. He was married in August, 1874, to Flora A. Dorward. Their children are:

1. Robert Dreisbach, who married Nora Brunner. Seven children.

2. Jennie Dreisbach, who married Charles Poh. Three children.

3. Mary Dreisbach, who married Horace Hertzog. One child died in infancy. Her husband also died and she married Frank Weiss.

4. Charles Dreisbach, who married Blanche Hauser. Two children.

5. Russell Dreisbach, who married Cora King. Three children.

6. Mabel Dreisbach, who married James Cole. No children.

7. Edward Dreisbach, who married Ethel Kerns. Two children.

8. Ada Dreisbach, who married Robert Muffly. Seven children.

9. Halpin Dreisbach, who married Hattie Oplinger. No children.

10. Maude Dreisbach, who married Robert Miller. One child.

Two other children died in infancy.

George Dreisbach, son of Henry Dreisbach and wife Elizabeth Solt, was born August 30, 1831, and died April 15, 1889. He married Christiana Beil, who was born September 10, 1831, and died July 14, 1901. Their children are:

1. George Alfred Dreisbach, born March 30, 1860; died April 19, 1860.

2. Ellen Catharine Dreisbach, born July 6, 1861; died April 25, 1874.

3. Emma Rebecca Dreisbach, born October 10, 1862.

4. Franklin Sylvester Dreisbach, born August 2, 1864.
5. William Henry Dreisbach, born March 21, 1866.
6. Eva Christiana Dreisbach, born January 21, 1869; resides at West Haven.
7. Mary Elizabeth Dreisbach, born July 4, 1870; died May 9, 1905.
8. Hannah Louisa Dreisbach, born December 30, 1877.

Emma Rebecca Dreisbach, daughter of George Dreisbach and wife Christiana Beil, was married to Alfred M. Behringer. Their children are:

1. Esther M. Behringer, born May 19, 1891; died June 13, 1908.
2. Henry A. Behringer, born May 11, 1893; died September 9, 1893.
3. Fred W. Behringer, born August 10, 1895.
4. Helen M. Behringer, born December 8, 1897; died September 7, 1923.
5. Hattie E. Behringer, born February 5, 1905.

Fred W. Behringer (above) was married to Florence Solt. Their children: Kathryn, Allen, Renia and George D.

Helen M. Behringer (above) was married to Dr. Charles R. Fox, of Northampton, Pa. They had one child, Charles R. Fox, Jr., who died on March 7, 1923.

Franklin Sylvester Dreisbach, son of George Dreisbach and wife Christiana Beil, married Adina R. Kleppinger, born January 5, 1866. Their children are:

1. Mark Sylvester Dreisbach, born January 11, 1893; married Sarah Dickinson.
2. Elda Christiana Dreisbach, born May 14, 1896; married Paul G. Breinig. Their children: Doris L. and Beatrice.
3. George David Dreisbach, born September 14, 1901; died February 26, 1902.
4. Naomi Louisa Dreisbach, born April 14, 1903.
5. Paul Franklin Dreisbach, born October 22, 1910.

William H. Dreisbach, son of George Dreisbach and wife Christiana Beil, was born March 21, 1866. He married Ellen

Hoffman, who was born July 27, 1866, and died June 23, 1908. Their children are:

1. Jennie C. Dreisbach, who was born April 2, 1894, and married Guy Frey. One child, Dorothy.
2. John L. Dreisbach, who was born January 11, 1896, and married Mabel Deibert. Two children: William and Ruth.
3. Infant son, born February 4, 1904, now deceased.

Hannah Louise Dreisbach, daughter of George Dreisbach and wife Christiana Beil, married William L. Larash. Their children are:

1. Ruth L. Larash, born August 14, 1903.
2. Mary H. Larash, born January 28, 1906.
3. Edith A. Larash, born July 22, 1909.
4. Esther Larash, born March 30, 1918.

Milton H. Cole, a member of our Executive Committee, is also in this line.

Catharine Dreisbach, daughter of Henry Dreisbach and wife Elizabeth, married Henry Cole. They had one son, Milton H. Cole, who was born on July 15, 1858, and married Mary Trine. They have three children: Clinton E. Cole, who married Reathie Pollock; Jennie L. Cole, at home; and Annie C. Cole, who married Irvin H. Solt.

John George Dreisbach, son of Hon. Simon Dreisbach, Jr., and wife, was born January 31, 1756, and died August 1, 1826. He married Sophia ————. They had a son, Yost Dreisbach, who was born January 9, 1775, and died January 18, 1857. He was married May 28, 1799, to Christine Hobbes (or Happes), who was born August 27, 1779, and died February 11, 1857. They are buried at New Media, Pa. Children: Jacob, Isaac, John, George W., William, Nathan, Rosina and Elizabeth Dreisbach. Rosina married a Mr. Nagle and Elizabeth married a Mr. Hauck.

Nathan Dreisbach (above) was born May 14, 1816, and died March 22, 1906. He married Sarah Levan, who was born June 5, 1814, and died February 8, 1873. Their children are:

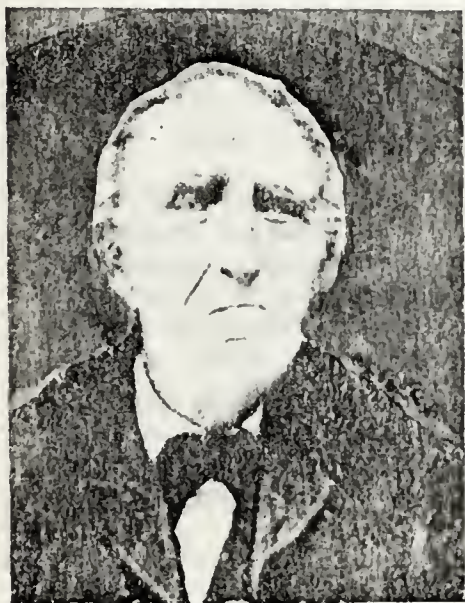
1. Christine Dreisbach, born February 8, 1836; died March, 1911. She was married to Isaac Fahringer in 1857.
2. Eliza Dreisbach.
3. Ellen Dreisbach.
4. Benjamin Dreisbach.
5. Nathaniel Dreisbach.
6. Alfred Dreisbach.



REV. S. A. BRIDGES STOPP
Historian at time of his death, 1917



AMMON P. DREISBACH
President, 1909-1923



HENRY DREISBACH
(1803-1890)



TILGHMAN DREISBACH
(1833-1914)



WILLIAM H. HARRIS
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The children of Christine Dreisbach and husband Isaac Fahringer were: Anna, Frank, Laura, Elmer, Edward, Alice, Walter, Gertrude and Robert Fahringer.

Frank Fahringer, son of Isaac Fahringer and wife Christine, was born February 8, 1861. He married Emma Harrison on October 14, 1882. Children: Harry, Guy, Raymond, Christine, Marie and Ida Fahringer.

Christine Fahringer, daughter of Frank Fahringer and wife Emma Harrison, married Henry H. Straub on June 27, 1917. Children: Barbara Jane Straub, born June 19, 1919; Frank Stuart Straub, born April 6, 1921.

Another line is as follows:

George W. Dreisbach, son of Yost Dreisbach and wife Christine Hoppes, married, first, Hannah _____. His second wife was Lucy Breinard. The children of George W. and wife Lucy, are:

1. Yost Dreisbach.
2. Elias Dreisbach.
3. George Dreisbach.
4. Mary Dreisbach, who married a Mr. Snyder.
5. Harriet Dreisbach, who married a Mr. Gearhart.
6. Hannah Dreisbach, who married a Mr. Erwine.
7. Sallie Dreisbach, who married a Mr. Schock.
8. Amanda Dreisbach, who married a Mr. Solliday.
9. Rayena Dreisbach, who married a Mr. Stitzler.
10. Elizabeth Dreisbach, who married a Mr. Derr.
11. Susanna Dreisbach, who married a Mr. Rex.

Elias Dreisbach, son of George W. Dreisbach and wife Lucy Breinard, married, first, Elizabeth Neyer. Children: Albert Dreisbach. Minnie, who married a Mr. Zanke. Emma, who married a Mr. Houghton. Ella, who married a Mr. Elliott. Clara, who married a Mr. Weaver. Elmira, who lives at Shamokin. Elias, who married, second, Louise Weaver.

The children of Elias Dreisbach and Louise Weaver are: Carrie Dreisbach, who married George Miller and lives at Bethlehem; Sadie, who married Warren Roberts, Bethlehem; and Elizabeth, who married a Mr. Scholl.

MARTIN DREISBACH LINE

MARTIN DREISBACH, SR., a cousin to Simon, Jr., arrived in Philadelphia, October 4, 1751, on the ship "Queen of Denmark." He was the grandfather of Rev. John Dreisbach, who was a co-laborer with Rev. Jacob Albright, the founder of the Evangelical Church at the beginning of 1800.

Martin Dreisbach, Sr., whose wife was Anna Eve Hoffman, first lived in Cocalico Township, Lancaster County. In 1763, he removed to a farm three miles north of Reading. In 1773, he bought from Dr. William Plunkett, a large tract of land in Buffalo Valley, now Union County. This was then on the frontiers of the province and during the Revolutionary War they endured great hardships and dangers. Some of his sons did service in the war. He was born in 1717, and died February 18, 1799, aged 82 years. He is buried in the Dreisbach Church Cemetery, Union County. His wife, Anna Eve, who was born in 1722, and died March 10, 1789, is also buried there.

The children of Martin Dreisbach, Sr., and wife, Anna Eve Hoffman, include:

1. Jacob, who married Magdalene Books, and had the following sons: Martin, John, George, Samuel, Benjamin, Henry, Jonathan and Jonas (8).

2. Henry, who married Margaret Rimmel, and had the following sons: John, Daniel and Jacob.

3. John, who married Catharine Youngman, and had the following sons: Samuel, John, Thomas, Joseph, Ellis and George.

4. Martin, 2d, who married Sabina Frederica Books, and had these children: (1) John (Rev.), who was born June 5, 1789, and married in 1811, Catherine Eyre, daughter of Abraham Eyre, Sr. She died in 1815, and he later married her sister Fannie, who died in 1871. He also died on August 20, 1871. (2) Anna Eve, who married Andrew Wolf. (3) Leah, who married J. G. Dunkel. (4) Elizabeth, who married David Dunkel. (5) Susan, who married J. Buchwalter. (6) Martin, 3d.

Martin, 3d, inherited the estate and it remained in his possession until his death. Martin Dreisbach, 3d, was born December 6, 1800; died March 15, 1880. Married Elizabeth Kleckner, October 6, 1824. She was born April 12, 1802; died

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October 2, 1875. Both are buried in Union County, Buffalo Township, in Dreisbach Church Cemetery.

In 1788, Martin Dreisbach, Sr., donated $7\frac{1}{2}$ acres of land near his home to the Lutheran Church. This is called the Dreisbach Church, and will doubtless serve as a memorial to its founder. He was one of the first elders.

Henry Dreisbach went to Ohio in 1804, and laid out the town of Circleville. Jacob, who married Magdalene Books, died in Union County. John, who married Catharine Youngman, lived and died in Mifflinburg.

There were two daughters of Martin, Sr.: Mrs. Henry Aurand and Mrs. Peter Fisher.

Martin Dreisbach, 3d, was appointed February 3, 1865, by Governor Curtin to be Associate Judge of Union County. His term ended December, 1870. To Martin Dreisbach, 3d, and wife Elizabeth Kleckner, who died October 2, 1875, were born the following children:

1. Solomon, who married Susanna Shoemaker.
2. Cyrus Dreisbach, who married Susan A. Baker and was engaged in the hardware business at Lewisburg.
3. Charles, who died at Vicksburg, Pa.
4. Hiram, who owned a planing mill at Sunbury.
5. William, a manufacturer of shoes and shoe findings engaged in business in Philadelphia.
6. Miriam, who died at Lewisburg.
7. Martin L. Dreisbach, living at Easton, who married Susan Horn, of Catasauqua. They had two children: Matilda and John Martin.

Cyrus Dreisbach, son of Martin Dreisbach, 3d, married Susan A. Baker. Two sons are living at Lewisburg.

For the above data, I am indebted to Elizabeth Dreisbach Varker, of Bloomsburg, Pa.

Solomon Dreisbach (above), who had a grist mill and woolen factory on the Penn Creek, near Laurelton, Union County, died in 1898, and was buried at New Berlin.

Cyrus Dreisbach (above) was a farmer on the Plunkett tract until about 1865. After that he was in the wholesale and retail hardware business in Lewisburg, where he died in 1895, and is buried there.

Charles Dreisbach (above) died in 1861, and was buried in the Dreisbach Church Cemetery.

Hiram Dreisbach (above) died in 1910, at Sunbury, and is buried there.

William Dreisbach (above) died in 1913, in Philadelphia, and is buried in the Dreisbach Cemetery.

Miriam Dreisbach (above) died in 1892 in Lewisburg, and is buried there.

Martin Dreisbach (above) was born in 1843, and lives in Easton.

THE REV. JOHN DREISBACH was the son of Martin Dreisbach, 2d, and wife Sabina Frederica Books. He was born on June 5, 1789, and died on August 20, 1871. He was converted under the preaching of Jacob Albright in 1806, and in 1807 entered the active service of the ministry in the Evangelical Church. In 1814 he was elected the first presiding elder of the Evangelical Association. In 1827-28 and in 1828-29 he served as a member of the Pennsylvania Legislature for the district composed of Union, Northumberland and Columbia Counties. His colleague was the Hon. Middleworth, who in his day was a man of distinction. In 1831, Rev. John Dreisbach moved from Buffalo Valley, Pa., to Pickaway County, Ohio. Owing to ill health, he was obliged to give up much active work in the church, but for a half century he was one of her strongest pillars.

Henry Dreisbach, son of the emigrant, went to Ohio in 1804 and laid out the town of Circleville. Martin, a son of Jacob Dreisbach, son of the emigrant, was also an early settler. He married Anna Eyre, daughter of Abraham Eyre, Sr.

The Rev. John Dreisbach was married first in 1811 to Catharine Eyre, a daughter of Abraham Eyre, Sr. She died on April 4, 1815, leaving two daughters, Salome Dreisbach, born January 13, 1812, who married Henry Buchwalter of Ross County, and Elizabeth Dreisbach, born July 12, 1813, who married Benjamin Steeley.

The Rev. John Dreisbach married the second time, Fanny Eyre, sister of his first wife. To this union were born the following children:

1. Abraham E. Dreisbach, born February 21, 1818; died February 27, 1864. He was a minister of the Gospel.

2. Isaac E. Dreisbach, born March 28, 1819. Married Lydia Hittel.

3. Catharine E. Dreisbach, born August 17, 1820. Married Rev. Louis Einsel and lived at Lafayette, Ind.

4. Sophia E. Dreisbach, born November 27, 1821. Married Eli Loose and lived in Michigan.

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5. Jacob Eyre Dreisbach, born March 17, 1823. He was also a minister. Married Catharine Wagner.

6. Leah E. Dreisbach, born October 28, 1824. Married D. B. Wagner and lived in Circleville, Ohio.

7. Martin E. Dreisbach, born September 8, 1826. Married Elizabeth Reedy and lived in Circleville, Ohio.

8. Susanna E. Dreisbach, born March 4, 1828. Married George L. Kamp and lived in Woodford County, Ill.

9. John Eyre Dreisbach, born April 28, 1830; died February 27, 1864.

10. Fanny Eyre Dreisbach, born March 26, 1832.

11. Martha E. Dreisbach, born March 7, 1834. Married Dr. W. C. Gildersleeve.

Fanny Eyre Dreisbach (above) was born March 26, 1832. On November 11, 1852, she married Louis Clinton Spickler, who was born November 1, 1822, and died in April, 1886. Their children are:

1. Davis Clinton Spickler, born August 13, 1853; died December 26, 1883.

2. Althea D. Spickler, born April 17, 1856; died June 20, 1923.

3. Mary Kate Spickler, born January 29, 1859; died June 19, 1861.

4. Laura D. Spickler, born November 14, 1862. Married John Ross.

5. Bertha D. Spickler, born September 1, 1872. Married A. A. Lamon. They live at Harper's Ferry, West Virginia.

Althea Dreisbach Spickler (above), daughter of Fanny Eyre Dreisbach (who was the daughter of Rev. John Dreisbach and wife), married Frank P. Miller, on November 14, 1878. Their children are:

1. Nellie Lamon Miller, born September 7, 1879; died September 4, 1914.

2. Fanny Eyre Miller, born January 14, 1882. Married Dr. Charles M. Strickler and lives at Greencastle, Pa.

3. John Ross Miller, born December 18, 1887, and lives in Washington, D. C.

4. Charles B. Dreisbach, died in infancy.

5. Ward L. Dreisbach, died in infancy.

6. Florence Dreisbach, died in infancy.

Jacob E. Dreisbach, born March 17, 1823, was a son of Rev. John Dreisbach and wife Fanny Eyre. He became a minister and married Catharine Wagner. They had a son, Abraham Dreisbach, and his daughter is Mrs. F. Behner, of Fargo, North Dakota. Her husband, Rev. Behner, is a Presbyterian minister and they reside in St. Louis at the present time.

From a letter received from Michael Roush Dreisbach, of Long Beach, Cal., March 19, 1915, we gather the following: Michael R. Dreisbach was born at Mifflinburg, Union County, Pa., on December 2, 1836. His grandfather was John Dreisbach, who married Catherine Youngman. This John D. was a son of Martin Dreisbach, Sr., and wife.

The children of John Dreisbach and wife Catharine were: Joseph, Samuel, Elias, John, George, Thomas and Catharine.

Joseph Dreisbach married Mary Roush, whose mother's maiden name was Lincoln. They had the following children:

1. Mary G. Dreisbach, who married Frank Herman. She died in January, 1913.

2. Joseph Dreisbach, who died at age of 22 years.

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3. Harrietta Dreisbach, who married J. K. Richard.

4. John Y. Dreisbach, who lives at Dodge Centre, Minn.

5. Michael R. Dreisbach, who married Louise Fulton and lives in California.

6. Samuel L. Dreisbach, who was killed by lightning at the age of 21 years.

7. Sarah C. Dreisbach, who married Owen Loomis and lives at Dodge Centre, Minn.

8. Margaret J. Dreisbach, who married James Emery.

9. Louisa Dreisbach, who married C. H. Humphrey.

10. Josephine Dreisbach, who died in infancy.

Sarah C. Loomis lost her husband in the Civil War at Rocky Mount, South Carolina.

Louisa Humphrey and family moved to Ashland, Oregon.

Michael R. Dresbach (as he spells it) married Louise Fulton on December 31, 1863. Their children are:

1. Frank F. Dresbach, of Chicago, Illinois.

2. Mabel J. Dresbach, who married M. A. Doran, of Muncie, Indiana.

3. Joseph E. Dresbach, who married _____ and lives at Lemon, South Dakota.

4. Lester J. Dresbach, who died in 1900.

5. Eva J. Dresbach, who died in 1895.

6. Irma Dresbach.

7. Guy Dresbach.

8. Verne Dresbach.

John Y. Dresbach, brother of Michael Dresbach, served in the Civil War as a member of the 65th N. Y. Volunteers.

Michael R. Dresbach was a member of the Second Regiment, Minnesota Volunteers and also served in the Civil War.

Frank Herman saw service in the Mexican War.

James Emery and C. H. Humphrey were members of the First Regiment, Heavy Artillery, Minnesota, and served in the Civil War.

Michael R. Dresbach and Owen Loomis were both with Sherman's army in the Civil War.

JACOB BOYER LINE

MARY MAGDALENE DREISBACH, daughter of Jacob Dreisbach, Sr., and Anna Margaretta Beaver, was born on August 8, 1786, and died on June 27, 1867. She married Jacob Boyer, who was born January 16, 1783, and died in September, 1852. Jacob Boyer was the son of Johannes Boyer and Anna M. Lerch. Their children are:

1. Polly Boyer, who married Aaron Glick.
2. Susanna Boyer, who married David Bliem.
3. Lydia Boyer, who married John McHose.
4. Joseph Boyer, who married Kate Weinshimer.
5. Elizabeth Boyer, who married Reuben Glick.
6. Sarah Boyer, who married Samuel Weaver.
7. Jacob Boyer, Jr.
8. Marietta Boyer, who married William Miller.
9. Belinda Boyer, who married Dr. Sherman.

Polly Boyer married Aaron Glick. Their children are:

1. Thomas Glick, who married Elizabeth Price.
2. John Glick, who was unmarried and is now deceased.
3. Jennie Glick, who married Orange Fuller.
4. Austin Glick, who married Vina Roberts; no children.

The children of Jennie Glick and Orange Fuller are: Annie Fuller, a daughter, who married Roland Davies, and Willard Fuller, a son.

Susanna Boyer, who was born August 5, 1810, and died October 18, 1876, married David Bliem on April 27, 1828. He was born on August 30, 1806, and died on September 29, 1882. Their children are:

1. Jacob Christian Bliem, who was born April 5, 1830, and married Selinda Catharine Swartz, on May 20, 1851. He died October 18, 1903. Selinda Catharine Swartz was born June 23, 1831, and died December 11, 1912.

2. Rev. Calvin A. Bliem, who was born April 9, 1833, and died May 14, 1911, married Matilda Sanders on January 2, 1855.

3. Amanda M. Bliem, who was born July 16, 1836, and married Thomas Laubach.

4. Amy Bliem, who was born June 27, 1838, and died in February, 1862.

5. Catharine H. Bliem, who was born July 16, 1841, and died March 1, 1903, married Eastburn Ott.

6. Mary Bliem, who was born June 12, 1844, and lives at Bethlehem.

7. Ellen Bliem, who was born September, 1847, and died in infancy.

David Bliem, son of Christian Bliem and wife Magdalena High, had four sisters, as follows: Magdalena, who married Jacob Dreisbach, Jr.; Catherine, who married Rev. David Kemerer; Sallie, who married Joseph Lerch, and Elizabeth, who married Peter Anewalt. A brother John died in infancy.

Jacob Christian Bliem, son of David Bliem and wife Susanna Boyer, married Selinda Catharine Swartz, on May 20, 1851. Their children are:

1. Sarah Jane Bliem, who was born June 1, 1852, and died May 23, 1876. She married John P. Schneller, of Catasauqua, in 1875. One child, Robert Henry, died in 1891.

2. John David Bliem, who was born March 27, 1856, and died in 1860.

3. Elmira Selinda Bliem, who was born July 9, 1858, and married Osman Stetler on February 17, 1887. Their daughter, Helen Irene, born August 14, 1888, married John Jacob Seip on June 11, 1916. They had one son, John Jacob Seip, Jr., born April 9, 1917. Osman Stettler and wife also had one son, Raymond Bliem Stettler, born July 28, 1892.

4. Milton Jacob Bliem, M. D., now of San Antonio, Texas, who was born December 18, 1860, and married Anna Louise Yost, daughter of Rev. William Yost, on September 10, 1885. She was born December 11, 1860. Their children are: Marion Louise, born November 17, 1886, and Howard Milton Bliem, born October 28, 1889.

5. Laura Amelia Bliem, who was born October 29, 1865, and married Lovin F. Neitz, of Naperville, Ill., on June 10, 1890. Their children are: Edith, John, May, Lawrence, Paul, Esther and Evylin.

6. Emma Matilda Bliem, who was born January 5, 1868, and married William H. S. Miller on June 20, 1889. William H. S.

Miller was born November 26, 1867, and died April 26, 1909. They had one child, Ruth Bliem Miller, born September 30, 1899.

Catharine H. Bliem, daughter of David Bliem and wife Susana Boyer Bliem, was born July 16, 1841, and died March 1, 1903. She married Eastburn Ott, who was born October 7, 1840, and died October 21, 1891. Their children are:

1. William B. Ott, who married Nellie Annette Waldo, daughter of Charles T. Waldo and Mary Willis Waldo, of Erie, Pa. No children.
2. Mary Amanda Ott, wife of J. Leslie Perkins, of Wilmington, Del. No children.
3. Anna Susan Ott, wife of Frederick A. Ross, of Wilmington, Del. Children: Frances Winona Ross (deceased) and Katherine Alva Ross.
4. Ella Bliem Ott, wife of Walter Reed, Milford, Del. No children.
5. David Lewis Ott, who married Greta Griffith, of Wilmington, Del. Children: David Lewis Ott, Jr., and William Griffith Ott.
6. James Charles Ott, who married Katharine Gangawere, of Bethlehem, Pa., and now resides in Philadelphia. Children: Homer Ott and Willard Ott.
7. Samuel Jacob Ott, who married Jane Adams, of Rutherford, New Jersey. No children.
8. Joseph Ott, who died in infancy.

Sarah Boyer, daughter of Jacob Boyer and Magdalene Dreisbach Boyer, married Samuel Weaver, who was a son of Capt. Michael Weaver. Their children are:

1. William Thomas Weaver, who was born August 9, 1838, and served in the Civil War, 1862-63. He married Catharine Lilly.
2. Cyrus Augustus Weaver, who died in infancy.
3. Amelia M. Weaver, born December 15, 1840.
4. Sarah Jane Weaver, who was born March 6, 1842, and married Dr. J. F. Raub.
5. Joseph A. Weaver, who was born August 14, 1843; died April 23, 1899, and served in the Civil War.
6. Amanda E. Weaver, born June 9, 1844.

7. Clinton Weaver, who was born March 23, 1846, and served in the Civil War.

8. Mary Alice Weaver, born January 29, 1848.

9. Samuel J. Weaver, born September 2, 1850.

10. David Michael Weaver, born January 2, 1852.

11. Cornelia Anna Weaver, who was born July 11, 1855, and married George Green.

12. Charlotte Frances Weaver, born May 15, 1860. Buried at Melrose, Mass.

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GEORGE BUTZ LINE

GEORGE BUTZ, son of Michael Butz, Sr., and wife Elizabeth Weaver, was born 1764 and died September 18, 1849. He married Catherine Dreisbach, daughter of Simon Dreisbach, Jr., and wife Dorothea Dies. She was born January 8, 1769, and died in 1846. Their children are: Elizabeth, Mary, Simon, Catharine, Jacob, Lydia, George and Susan Butz.

Lydia Butz, who was born May 3, 1805, and died February 11, 1846, married Joseph Keller, of Kellersville, Monroe County, on January 26, 1823. He was born February 7, 1800, and died June 22, 1857. Their children are: George, Christianna, A. Maria, Samuel S., Catharine, Rachel, Isaiah, Emma, Joseph, Jr., Jacob, Lydia, Charles and Edwin Keller.

After the death of his wife Lydia, Joseph Keller, Sr., married Mary Brodhead, widow of Charles Brodhead. They had two children: Frank and Fannie Keller. Samuel S. Keller, son of Joseph Keller, Sr., married Mary Dech, of Northampton County. They lived on a farm at Kellersville many years, then moved to Allentown, where he went into business with his brother Edwin (jeweler). They had one daughter, Clara M. A. D., who married Hon. Marcus C. L. Kline, a lawyer, who afterward served several terms in the U. S. Congress. They had two children: Edwin Kline and Althea Kline. Edwin is a promising young lawyer and is married to Margaret Albright. They have two children: Edwin, Jr., and Ethel A. Althea Kline was married to Claude Shankweiler, of Allentown. They have two children: Kathryn and Lewis. Mr. Shankweiler is with his father in the clothing business.

Mrs. Marcus C. L. Kline is a member of Liberty Bell Chapter, D. A. R.

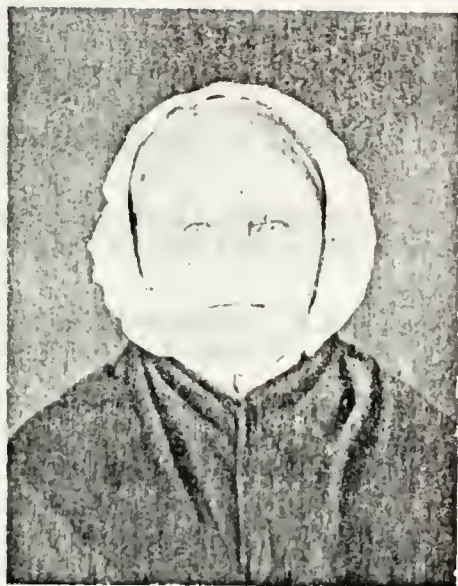
The children of Joseph Keller, son of John George Keller and grandson of Christopher Keller, 2d, and his wife Lydia Butz, who was the daughter of George Butz and wife Catharine Dreisbach, daughter of Simon Dreisbach, Jr., are as follows:

1. George Keller, who married Martha Jane Brodhead. They had five children: William, Richard, Joseph, Mary and Emma.

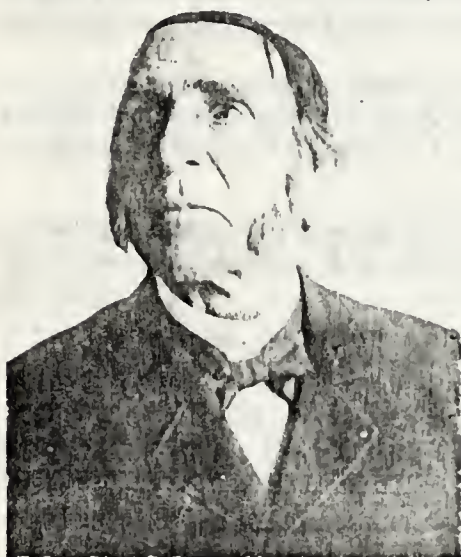
2. Christianna Keller, who married James W. Kemmerer, of Hecktown. Children: Edwin, Eugene, Ella, Mary, Emma L. and John Kemmerer.



CATHARINE DREISBACH BUTZ
(1769-1849)



MRS. J. WEAVER
(Mother of Mrs. C. J. Becker)



REV. C. J. BECKER
(1827-1907)



MRS. C. J. BECKER
(1827-1902)



3. Anna Maria Keller, who married Benjamin Lerch. Children: Mary A., Robert and Lydia Lerch.

4. Samuel S. Keller, line given.

5. Catharine Keller, who married Charles Trach. Children: Angeline, Emma, Alvin and Carrie Trach.

6. Rachel Keller, who married Hon. Charles D. Brodhead, of Stroudsburg. Children: Joseph K., Mary L. and George M. Brodhead.

7. Isaiah Keller, who married Rachel Shoemaker. Children: John, Lizzie, Amanda, Emma and Edward Keller.

8. Emma Keller, who married Rev. Hiram Sebering. One son, Frank Sebering.

9. Joseph Keller, Jr., who married Ellen Brown, of Monroe County, and took the old homestead at Kellersville, but afterward engaged in the jewelry business at Stroudsburg. They had three children: Hattie V., Robert B. and E. Gertrude Keller.

10. Jacob T. Keller, who married Catharine Williams. Children: Charles, Harry, Lydia, Laura, Robert, Joseph B., Jennie and May Keller.

11. Charles B. Keller, who married Angelica Burt, of Dubuque, Iowa. Children: May, Sue and Charles Keller, Jr.

12. Edwin Keller (Allentown), who married Elizabeth Christ. Two sons: Herbert and Arthur Keller.

13. Lydia Keller, who married Barnet Fenner. They had one daughter, Minerva Fenner, who married Frank Welsh.

I am indebted to Mrs. Marcus C. L. Kline for the above data, and for further information about the Keller family line, descendants of Simon Dreisbach, Jr., see Keller Genealogy.

George Butz, Jr., was a son of George Butz, Sr., and wife Catharine Dreisbach. The children of George Butz, Jr., and wife are:

1. Jacob Butz, who lived and died in Paris, Illinois. He reared a large family.

2. Simon Butz, who lived opposite Freemansburg. His daughter was Mrs. Jacob Freeman. Dr. and Mrs. Rush Fields, Dr. Wood Fields and Mrs. Schnitzer are descendants.

3. Samuel Butz, who has a daughter, Mrs. Chidsey.

The first of these is the fact that the United States is a young nation. It is only about 150 years old, and its history is therefore a history of rapid growth and development. The second is the fact that the United States is a large nation. It covers a vast area of land, and its population is one of the largest in the world. The third is the fact that the United States is a diverse nation. It is made up of many different peoples, races, and religions, and this diversity has been one of its strengths.

The fourth is the fact that the United States is a nation of immigrants. Many of the people who live in the United States today are the descendants of immigrants from other countries. This has helped to make the United States a more tolerant and accepting nation.

The fifth is the fact that the United States is a nation of pioneers. The people who lived in the United States in the early years were pioneers. They were the first to settle in the new land, and they were the first to build a nation out of nothing. This spirit of pioneering has been one of the defining characteristics of the United States.

The sixth is the fact that the United States is a nation of freedom. The people of the United States have always valued their freedom, and they have fought hard to protect it. This has been one of the main reasons why the United States has become a powerful nation.

The seventh is the fact that the United States is a nation of progress. The people of the United States have always been looking for new ways to improve their lives, and they have been successful in many ways. This has helped to make the United States a more prosperous and advanced nation.

The eighth is the fact that the United States is a nation of hope. The people of the United States have always believed in a better future, and they have worked hard to make it a reality. This has been one of the main reasons why the United States has become a more powerful and respected nation.

The ninth is the fact that the United States is a nation of unity. The people of the United States have always been united in their love for their country, and this has helped to make the United States a more powerful and respected nation.

The tenth is the fact that the United States is a nation of peace. The people of the United States have always been peaceful, and they have worked hard to keep the peace. This has been one of the main reasons why the United States has become a more powerful and respected nation.

The eleventh is the fact that the United States is a nation of justice. The people of the United States have always been concerned about justice, and they have worked hard to make it a reality. This has been one of the main reasons why the United States has become a more powerful and respected nation.

THOMAS WEAVER LINE

HENRICH WEBER, foreign born, settled in Upper Saucon Township, Lehigh County, Pa. He was born about 1700 and died in 1783. His son, John Weaver, settled in Allen Township, Northampton County, Pa. He was born in 1730 and died in 1802.

Capt. Michael Weaver was born in 1770 and died in 1834. He was the founder of Weaversville, Pa., where he was engaged in business as a storekeeper. Samuel Weaver, son of Michael, was born in 1808 and died in 1863. He was a storekeeper, farmer, tanner. He was also the postmaster and the first superintendent of the Howertown Sunday School. He married Sarah Ann Boyer, who was the daughter of Jacob Boyer and wife Mary Magdalene Dreisbach, daughter of Jacob Dreisbach, Sr., and wife, Anna Margareta Beaver.

William Thomas Weaver (a son of Samuel Weaver and wife, Sarah Ann Boyer Weaver) was born August 9, 1838, at Weaversville, Pa. He died in Bethlehem on May 11, 1902. He was married to Catharine S. Lilly, who was born in Allen Township on October 18, 1841; died in Bethlehem, Pa., on May 24, 1918, and is buried at Howertown.

The children of Thomas Weaver and wife are:

1. Lewis Alfred Weaver, who was born September 26, 1860, and died on August 3, 1912, at St. Louis, Mo. He married a St. Louis young lady, Miss Louisa ————?

2. John D. Weaver, who was born October 27, 1861; lived in Bethlehem, Emaus, Philadelphia, and New York City, and was connected with the New York Sun. He married Cora E. Bogert. They had one daughter.

3. Edward Elmer Weaver, who was born April 13, 1864, and died at Dixon, Mo., May 11, 1884.

4. Emma E. Weaver, who was born June 22, 1867, and died July 4, 1867.

5. Emma Lily Weaver, who was born August 28, 1868, at Weaversville, and died at Wooster, Ohio, December 27, 1868.

6. Harry Frederick Weaver, who was born June 17, 1865, and died at Wooster, Ohio, March 30, 1871.



JOHN D. WEAVER



MRS. MICHAEL WEAVER
(1772-1860)

7. Thaddeus H. Weaver, born at Wooster, August 17, 1871, and living in Allentown. Married Ida Muschlitz, of Bethlehem, Pa. No heirs. He served in the Spanish-American War.

8. Frederick William Weaver, born November 23, 1874, at Bethlehem and now living at Herington, Kansas, married Ivy King, of Atchison, Kansas. No heirs. For twenty-five years he was traveling auditor on the Missouri-Pacific Railroad and is now Secretary of the Herington Chamber of Commerce.

9. Arthur James Weaver, born January 7, 1878, and located in St. Louis, Mo., as a mechanical draughtsman. In 1922 he married Charlotte D. Rowland.

10. Herbert Samuel Weaver, born September 27, 1880, in Bethlehem. Married Stella M. Moser, of Bethlehem. Children: Ethel, Maximilian, John David, Carolyn, Hazel, Harriet, Ruth and Richard James, all born in Bethlehem.

JACOB DREISBACH, Jr., LINE

JACOB DREISBACH, JR., son of Jacob Dreisbach, Sr., married Magdalena Bliem. They had three daughters, as follows:

1. Sarah A. Dreisbach, who married Augustus Getz. Their children are: Mrs. Marcus Fetter and Mrs. W. S. Keck, of West Bethlehem. Mrs. Keck has one son, Mark Keck.

2. Matilda Dreisbach, who married Solomon Dech. Their daughter, Amanda Dech, was married on October 7, 1860, to Rev. George M. Lazarus, born May 26, 1839; died January 31, 1874. Children: Rev. Jacob W. Lazarus, born 1861; Newton C. Lazarus, born 1863, deceased; George F. Lazarus, born 1867; Rev. Luther D. Lazarus, born 1869; Elizabeth, died in infancy.

The second husband of Amanda Dech Lazarus is Rudolph F. Bapp, of Nazareth.

Rev. Jacob W. Lazarus married, first, Miss Gwennie Beitel, of Catasauqua.

Rev. Luther D. Lazarus married Miss Caroline H. Weil on October 12, 1898. Children: Frank and Catharine Lazarus.

Ella Dech married, first, John Stopp. Their children: Rev. Samuel Bridges Stopp, John Stopp, Jr., and Joseph Stopp. Her second husband is Joseph A. Guinyon, Esq.

Rev. Bridges Stopp was born in 1875 and died in 1917. He graduated from Muhlenberg College in 1896. He then took up a post-graduate course at Princeton and received his master's degree in 1897. He entered the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Mt. Airy and was graduated in 1901 and was ordained as a minister at St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Allentown, Pa. He served as a minister for eight years, when ill health prevented him from carrying on the work. He belonged to the Sons of the Revolution, and was Historian of the Dreisbach reunion. He was loved by all who knew him.

Wilson Dech, born May 4, 1848, married Anna E. Kichline. Their children: (1) William S. Dech; (2) Lloyd K. Dech, who married Mabel Peters; (3) Eva Edith Dech, who married Warren Schall, of Bethlehem.

3. Susan Dreisbach, daughter of Jacob Dreisbach, Jr., married James Fahler. Their children are:

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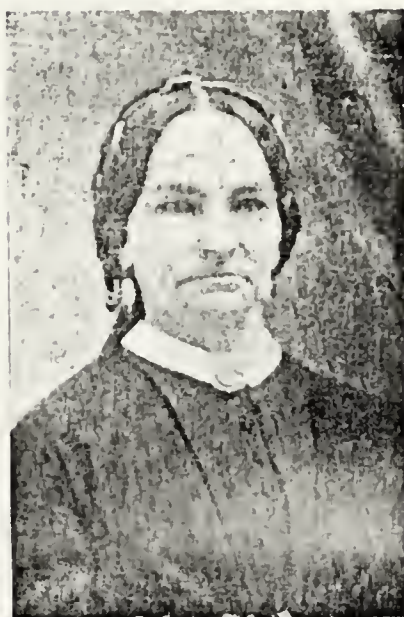
AUGUSTUS GETZ



SARAH DREISBACH GETZ



EDWARD HELMAN



EMMELINE SCHALL HELMAN

(1) Alavesta Fahler, who married Eugene Brader. Children: Mabel, who married William Drumheller; Winnie, who married Arthur Mertz.

(2) Clara Fahler, who married Frank Robbins. Children: Hattie Robbins, who married _____ Flemming; Ella Robbins, who married _____ Walp; Lizzie Robbins, who married _____ Ellis; Ruth Robbins, who married _____ Hunsicker; Martha, unmarried.

(3) Francis Fahler, who married Hannah Frantz. Children: Eva, Hattie and Werner Fahler. Eva married Dr. Swartz.

(4) Mary Fahler, who married Preston Weaver. Children: Edward Weaver, who married Edna Michel; Carrie Weaver, who married _____ Diehl; Mabel Weaver, who married _____ Frey; Charles Weaver, who married Helen Minnich; Mary, Ralph and Miriam at home.

(5) Alice Fahler, who married Robert McKeever. Children: Lottie, James, Ruth, Oliver and Lilian McKeever. Lottie McKeever married James Miller.

(6) Harry Fahler, deceased.

J. NICHOLAS HOWER LINE

LIEUT.-COL. J. NICHOLAS HOWER was born February 6, 1751, and died February 14, 1824. He married Elizabeth Dreisbach, who was born August 29, 1762, and died October 24, 1839. Both are buried at Stone Church, Kreidersville, but not beside each other. Their children: George, Jacob, John and Katharine Hower.

Katharine Hower married George Stewart.

George Hower married Catharine Anewalt. Their children:

1. Susan Hower, who married a Mr. Bush.
2. —————, who married a Mr. Ritter.
3. Elizabeth Hower, who married a Mr. Labach. They had one daughter, Mrs. Snyder.
4. Sarah Hower, who married William Sieger. One son, William Sieger, Jr.
5. Katharine Hower, unmarried.
6. Belinda Hower, who married George Schaden.
7. Harrison Hower, who married Miss Maria Kleppinger.
8. Sylvester Hower, who married Miss Hiestand. No children.

Jacob Hower, son of Lieut. Nicholas Hower, married —————. Their children:

1. Nicholas Hower, who married Elizabeth Dreisbach, daughter of Daniel Dreisbach, who was the son of Peter Dreisbach, son of Simon Dreisbach, Jr. Children of this Nicholas Hower and wife Elizabeth: (1) Aaron Hower, who married Louisa Hilker; (2) Carrie Hower; (3) William Hower, who married Delilah Eschbach; (4) Alfred Hower, who married Drusilla Schuyler.

Another Jacob Hower married Magdalena Dreisbach. Their children are: (1) Anna Hower, who married ————— Farber. (2) Adam Hower. (3) Mrs. Henry Anthony. (4) Mrs. John Graver. (5) John Hower, whose daughters are: Mrs. Kate Huth, of Pennsville, and Mrs. Heiney, of Howerville.

Harrison Hower was the son of George Hower and wife Catharine Anewalt. Harrison Hower married Maria Klep-

pinger. They had a daughter, Mary A. Hower, who was married to John Schneller, of Catasauqua. They had two children: William A. Schneller, a prominent young lawyer, of Catasauqua, who married Matilda A. Jones, of Easton. They have one child, Miss Ella Schneller, who holds a responsible position in the National Bank of Catasauqua.

Aaron Hower had two sons, Thomas Hower and Aaron Hower, Jr. Aaron Hower, Jr., is the father of Miss Mabel Hower, and Thomas Hower is the father of Lloyd C. Hower, of Kreidersville.

Belinda Hower, daughter of George Hower and wife, married a Mr. Schaden. They had one daughter, Catharine E. Schaden, and one son, George Schaden. Catharine E. Schaden married, first, Isaac Odenwalder. There was one child, Laura Belinda Odenwalder. Catharine Schaden Odenwalder married, second, John H. Kleppinger. No children. Laura Belinda Odenwalder married Thomas A. Boyer. Three children: Albert, Emma and Katharine Boyer. Emma Boyer married David Faulkner, of Catasauqua. They have one child, Marion Faulkner.

Other descendants of Lieut. Nicholas Hower and wife Elizabeth Dreisbach are:

Lloyd C. Hower, G. Edward Schaden, Thomas Boyer, Mrs. A. H. Snyder, Thomas Hower, Mrs. C. Kleppinger, Amandus Labach, Mrs. Sarah Hower, Amandus Hower, Frank S. Lerch, Mrs. John Grim, Mary A. Breinig, Mabel Troxell (nee Schaden), George H. Schaden, Aaron F. Solt, David Solt, Mrs. Jacob Solt, George D. Steward, Benjamin Steward, Lillie S. Weitknecht, A. F. Lazarus, Mrs. Richard Lazarus, Sarah C. Kuntz, Miss Ella Schneller, William Schneller, Esq., Sadie E. Hower, Clare H. Hower, Edna S. Hower, George P. Hower, Mary A. Hower. (The latter five are the children of Lloyd C. Hower and wife, Sarah, Easton.)

Lieut.-Col. Nicholas Hower was classed among the officers of Northampton County in May, 1780. (See Pennsylvania Archives, Vol. VIII, Fifth Series, also page 288, same volume.) He was classed as a Lieutenant of the Eighth Company, Third Battalion, Northampton County. A State D. A. R. marker was placed on his grave by Miss Kate Hower with memorial exercises by Liberty Bell Chapter.

AMANDUS DREISBACH LINE

AMANDUS DREISBACH is the son of Simon Dreisbach and wife Susan Lorish Dreisbach. They are both buried at Towamensing Church. This Simon Dreisbach enlisted in the Civil War, where he contracted a sickness and after serving about two years came home and died shortly afterwards. They had the following children: Elemina, who married Edward Sharly; Fretta, who married Robert Sherry; Alexander, Harriet, Nathaniel, Robert and Amandus.

Amandus Dreisbach was born in Carbon County, December 2, 1854. In 1873 he was married to Belinda Silfies, formerly of Kunkletown, and they have lived to celebrate their golden wedding. The first eighteen years of his life was spent on a farm. He was then employed by the Carbon Iron Company. He moved to Hokendauqua in 1876 and became an employee of the Thomas Iron Company.

The children of Amandus Dreisbach and Belinda Silfies are: William, a graduate of the Keystone State Normal School; Robert; Lillie E., who married Palmer Bartholomew; Susan; Helen L., who married Irwin Saeger; Mary B.; Emily, who married Frank Steckel; David and Florence, deceased, and Paul N. Dreisbach.

THE DREISBACH REUNIONS

THIS book would not be complete without some reference to the Dreisbach reunions. It was a happy inspiration that led several members of the Dreisbach family to hold a reunion. A meeting was held in 1910 at the home of Ammon P. Dreisbach, Allentown, Pa. Those present were Ammon P. Dreisbach, Frank S. Dreisbach, of Allentown; George D. Dreisbach, of Mauch Chunk; Charles Weitknecht, of Beersville; Mr. and Mrs. Mertz (nee Dreisbach), of Mauch Chunk, and others. The result of this meeting was that the first reunion of the Dreisbach family was held at Central Park, September 3, 1910. It rained incessantly and the accommodations were poor. It was decided to adjourn to the home of Rev. S. A. Bridges Stopp, Fifth Street, Allentown. The formal organization was effected by the election of the following officers:

President, A. P. Dreisbach, Allentown, Pa.; Vice-Presidents, M. L. Dreisbach, Easton, Pa.; John D. Weaver, New York City; Mrs. Mary Reiff, Allentown, Pa.; Secretary, Frank S. Dreisbach, Allentown, Pa.; Assistant Secretary, Miss Laura M. Helman, Catasauqua, Pa.; Historian, Rev. S. A. Bridges Stopp, Allentown, Pa.; Treasurer, C. Wilson Dech, Allentown, Pa.

Since that time the Executive Committee has been enlarged, and the officers at present (1923) are as follows:

President, Dr. A. O. Kisner, Bethlehem, Pa.; Vice-Presidents, Ammon P. Dreisbach, John W. Dreisbach, M. L. Dreisbach (Easton, Pa.), Mrs. Mary A. Reiff, Lewis F. Huthmacher, John D. Weaver (New York); Secretary, Frank Dreisbach; Assistant Secretary, Miss Laura M. Helman; Treasurer, C. Wilson Dech; Historian, Miss Laura M. Helman; Executive Committee: Milton H. Cole, Northampton, Pa.; O. D. Knauss, Allentown, Pa.; George W. Gearhart, Ashland, Pa.; Edward E. Dreisbach, Easton, Pa.

THE NAME OF DREISBACH

(Copied from the Dreisbach Journal)

THE name Dreiss, also spelled Draiss, is probably much older than that of Dreisbach. The spelling Dreissbach with the "s" doubled seems to be the original form of the name. The origin of the family name, Dreissbach, is then "Dreiss" plus "bach," meaning "the Dreiss family living on the banks of a stream." Perhaps, the river Lahn, from whose neighborhood, dominated by the Castle of Wittgenstein, the American Dreisbachs came before the middle of the eighteenth century. Other forms of the name are Dreispach and Treisbach, "t" and "d" being letters close akin to each other. The Dreisbach family is descended from an ancient line of Hessian nobility, of which, according to Schannat, Gottfried von Dreisbach appears as the last representative in 1512. We know nothing more of him.

Kneschke gives us the following information about the Dreiss family: It is a race of Rhenish nobility, which established itself particularly in the dominion of Vinstingen, then dwelt in Basle, and later came to Baden, where the name was written Draiss. Friedrich von Draiss, of Schlebuschrath, belonged in 1603 to the mountain knighthood. Walther von Dreiss and his son appeared in Westphalia in 1463, probably earlier representatives of the name.

The Von Dreisses and Von Dreisbachs, though passing away at the beginning of the Seventeenth Century as a line of feudal lords, like so many other noble families in those times of social upheaval and religious reformation, when war after war devastated Europe and many men and women were persecuted for conscience' sake, were nevertheless not lost in the mad maelstrom of that tragic period. Although there are as yet some missing links in our genealogical chain, the sturdy stock that was later planted on American soil gave abundant evidence of many preceding generations of high station, large usefulness and hearty devotion to Church and State.

The Dreisbachs who came to America, rather Colonists than immigrants, at once assumed the position of importance for which their prominence in the Old World had fitted them. So far as we can learn none of them were Redemptioners. Their record in Colonial and Revolutionary times and in the later life

of the American Republic is worthy of the high and honorable name they bore in the German Fatherland. If we could call back from their long resting places the shades of the honorable men and women of the Dreisbach line, what tales they might tell of knightly adventure, of royal favors, of stirring battles, of peaceful vine-clad hills, of staunch churchmanship and of the following of ideals worthy of their distinguished name.—Written by Rev. S. A. Bridges Stopp (1913).

NOTES

In Franklin Township, Carbon County, a Yost Dreisbach came to this township before 1800, settled on the Poho Poco Creek and died there, leaving a son, Peter Dreisbach, whose son, Dennis Dreisbach, now owns the property. Mrs. Samuel Hartman, Mrs. Daniel Wentz and Mrs. William Kern were daughters of this Yost Dreisbach.

Conrad Dreisbach married a Miss Searfass. They had a daughter, Elizabeth Dreisbach. She was twice married: First to a Mr. Dieter. Second to Charles Shupp. Charles Shupp and wife Elizabeth Dreisbach Dieter had a daughter, Eliza Shupp. She married Jacob Kintz. Jacob Kintz and wife Eliza had a daughter, Flora Kintz, who married a Mr. McCabe.

George Peter Dreisbach married Christina Bender. Their children are: Jacob, Aaron, Jesse, Peter, David, Sophia, who married a Mr. Heller; Elizabeth, who married a Mr. Haney; Margaret, who married a Mr. Andrews.

Jacob Dreisbach, son of George Peter Dreisbach and wife, married Matilda Germanton. Their children are:

1. George Peter Dreisbach, who married Mary Jane Hunsicker. Children: Lydia A., Matilda V., Floyd E., Flora C., Wynn (married), Alfred F., Clara B. (deceased), Howard C. (deceased).

Rev 2. Alfred F. Dreisbach. *12h 20*

3. Joel F. Dreisbach (deceased).

4. Emma Dreisbach, who married a Mr. Burley, now deceased.

5. Jacob Dreisbach (deceased).

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